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DRAFT SITE INSPECTION REPORT JOHN HASSALL WESTBURY, NEW YORK

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SITE NAME: ADDRESS: John Hassall

Cantiague Rock Road

Westbury, New York 11590

EPA ID NO: LATITUDE: NYD002045417 40° 46′ 30″ N

LONGITUDE:

73° 33′ 10″ W

1.0 SITE SUMMARY

John Hassall is located in the village of Westbury, Nassau County, New York. The facility is an active specialty nail and fastener manufacturer, operating at the present site since 1953. There are five buildings and a recharge basin on approximately 7.5 acres. The buildings include the main production building, the spec-com building, the treatment building, the warehouse, and a shed. Most of the warehouse is leased to Canon Inc.; only a small portion of the southern end is used for storage by John Hassall. The site is situated between the Long Island Expressway and the Northern State Parkway, in a small industrial/commercial area.

The site is on the western edge of Oyster Bay Township; North Hempstead Township is 0.5 mile to the west, and Hempstead Township is 1.4 miles to the south. This is a densely populated suburban area with approximately 12,721 people within 1 mile, 45,886 people within 2 miles, and 109,534 people within 3 miles of the site.

There are two areas of concern possibly containing elevated levels of metals, solvents, and oil and grease. One of them is the recharge basin, which was utilized to discharge untreated and treated industrial wastewater to the surficial aquifer, from approximately 1959 to 1982. The other is the area around the underground holding tanks, where a spill occurred in December 1987.

The following enforcement/regulatory actions have been taken against John Hassall:

- Prehearing Conference on May 15, 1980 with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and Nassau County Health Department. John Hassall will voluntarily comply with the compliance schedule for upgrading and modifying their wastewater treatment system.
- Consent Agreement and Consent Order (II RCRA- 83-0249) issued January 22, 1984 by the U.S. EPA. John Hassall must submit documentation to establish financial assurance for closure, and where appropriate, postclosure monitoring. In addition, John Hassall must establish financial responsibility for bodily injury and property damage to third parties caused by sudden accidental occurrences arising from the operation of the facility. A \$2,000.00 civil penalty was imposed.
- Reclassification of hazardous waste facility issued August 26, 1985 by the NYSDEC.
 John Hassall was reclassified from an interim status hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facility to a generator only status.

On March 9, 1988 Region 2 FIT conducted a site inspection. Seven sediment samples and one soil sample were collected and analyzed for Target Compound List parameters. Analytical results are not yet available.

Ref. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

2.0 SITE INSPECTION NARRATIVE

2.1 EXISTING ANALYTICAL DATA

Since 1975, John Hassall has self-monitored its treated wastewater, through a New York State approved laboratory. From 1975 to 1982, the treated wastewater was monitored prior to recharge basin discharge, as required by its SPDES Permit (NY0026287). During this period, the treated wastewater routinely violated SPDES discharge limitations for total chromium, copper, nickel, iron, and oil and grease. Since 1982, the treated wastewater is monitored per batch, to meet Nassau County Sewer Ordinance, prior to discharging into the Nassau County Sewer System. At present, John Hassall is required to analyze for aluminum, hexavalent chromium, total chromium, chloride, copper, iron, silver, sulfide, fluoride, chemical oxygen demand, NH₃-nitrogen, total dissolved solids, oil and grease, and pH.

Ref. Nos. 3, 6, 7, 11

2.2 WASTE SOURCE DESCRIPTION

A recharge basin is located in the southwest corner of the site. This approximately 51,000-cubic-foot basin has received industrial wastewater for groundwater discharge, from approximately 1959 to 1982. The wastewater consists of process solutions and rinse water from the deburring, burnishing, and cleaning operations. These solutions and waters contain metals, solvents, and oil and grease. In 1974 a treatment system was installed to pretreat wastewater prior to groundwater discharge. Presently, the recharge basin is unused for wastewater discharge, but it may still be used for storm water runoff from on-site storm drains and roof gutters.

In December 1987 a spill occurred from an underground holding tank, associated with the wastewater treatment system. Approximately 50 to 100 gallons of oil and grease overflowed from a tank, contaminating the soil in the vicinity, and possibly flowed into the northeast corner of the recharge basin. The contaminated soil was removed, and replaced with fresh fill. However, as of March 17, 1988, the spill had not been reported to county or state regulatory authorities.

Ref. Nos. 8, 9, 10, 12, 13

2.3 GROUNDWATER ROUTE

Groundwater samples were not collected during the site inspection conducted on March 9, 1988; therefore, an observed release cannot be evaluated. However, the potential exists that groundwater contamination has occurred. For approximately 21 years John Hassall discharged both untreated and treated wastewater to the groundwater via an on-site recharge basin.

Three sole source aquifers underlie the site: the upper glacial aquifer, the Magothy aquifer, and the Lloyd aquifer. The upper glacial aquifer and the Magothy aquifer are hydraulically connected and form the aquifer of concern. The upper glacial aquifer consists mainly of stratified beds of fine to coarse sand and of sand and gravel, but also contains thin beds of silt and clay interbedded with coarse-grained material. The Magothy aquifer consists of beds and lenses of light gray, fine to coarse sand with some interstitial clay. Depth to groundwater is approximately 68 feet, and flows in a south/southeasterly direction.

Five water districts have municipal supply wells located within 3 miles of the site that draw from the aquifer of concern. These water districts utilize 42 wells and serve approximately 152,200 people.

- The Town of Hempstead, Department of Water serves approximately 12,000 people, utilizing two wells within 3 miles of the site. The wells are located in the Magothy aquifer, and are 535 feet and 598 feet deep.
- The Hicksville Water District serves approximately 50,000 people, utilizing 19 wells within 3 miles of the site. The wells are located in the Magothy aquifer, and range in depth from 419 feet to 637 feet.
- The Village of Old Westbury, Department of Public Works serves approximately 3,200 people, utilizing three wells within 3 miles of the site. The wells are located in the Magothy aquifer, and range in depth from 478 feet to 610 feet.
- The Westbury Water District serves approximately 24,000 people, utilizing 10 wells within 3 miles of the site. The wells are located in the Magothy aquifer, and range in depth from 260 feet to 600 feet.
- The Jericho Water District serves approximately 63,000 people, utilizing 8 wells within 3 miles of the site. The wells are located in the Magothy aquifer, and range in depth from 453 feet to 615 feet.

The closest well is a municipal supply well located approximately 900 feet northeast of the site. This well is owned by the Jericho Water District, which serves approximately 63,000 people.

Ref. Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22

2.4 SURFACE WATER ROUTE

A surface water migration pathway does not exist. Storm water runoff drains from the site via storm drains, and enters a recharge basin where it infiltrates the ground above the water table.

Ref. Nos. 8, 21

2.5 AIR ROUTE

No readings above background were detected in the ambient air on the OVA or HNu prior to disturbance of the waste source during the site inspection on March 9, 1988.

Ref. No. 8

2.6 ACTUAL HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS

John Hassall discharged industrial wastewater to the groundwater via an on-site recharge basin. This wastewater contained metal, solvents, and oil and grease. From approximately 1959 to 1975, untreated wastewater was discharged to the groundwater. From 1975 to 1982, treated wastewater was discharged to the groundwater. This treated wastewater routinely violated SPDES discharge limitations for total chromium, copper, iron, nickel, and oil and grease.

Ref. Nos. 9, 10, 11

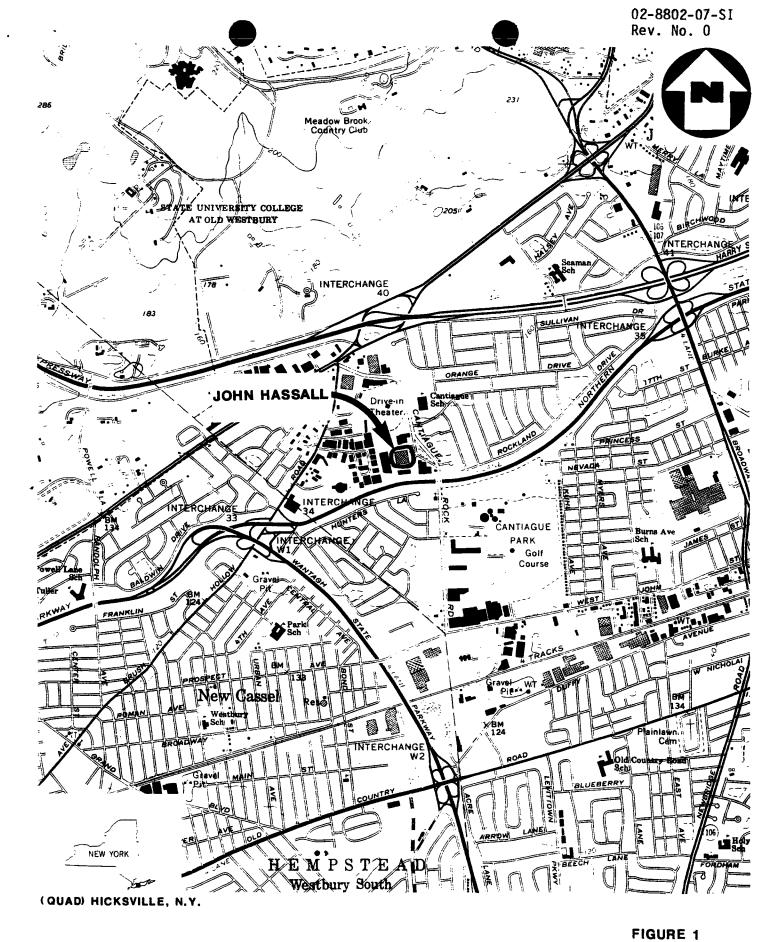
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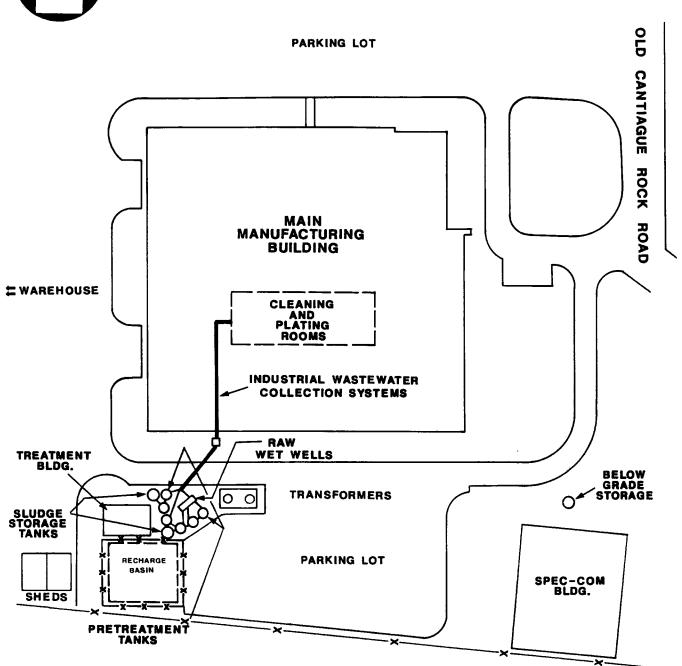
Figure 2: Site Map
Figure 3: Sample Location Map
Exhibit A: Photograph Log



SITE LOCATION MAP JOHN HASSALL, WESTBURY, N.Y.

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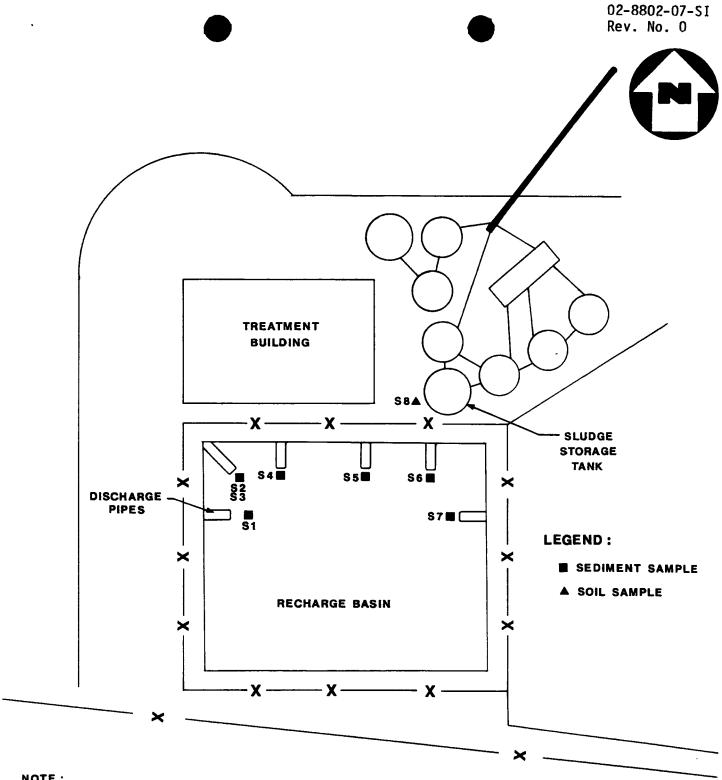




SITE MAP
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(NOT TO SCALE)





NOTE:

- 1) DISCHARGE PIPES WERE NUMBERED 1 TO 6 FROM WEST TO EAST
- 2) SAMPLE NUMBERS ARE PRECEDED BY NYEF

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FIGURE 3

(NOT TO SCALE)

EXHIBIT A

PHOTOGRAPH LOG

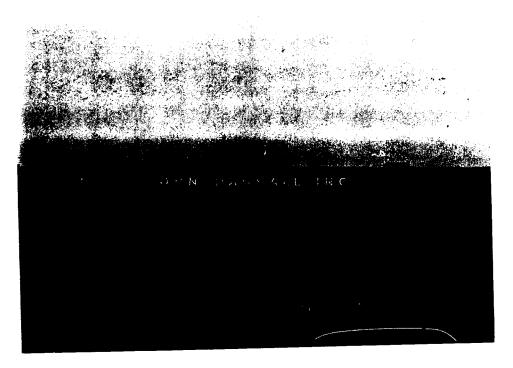
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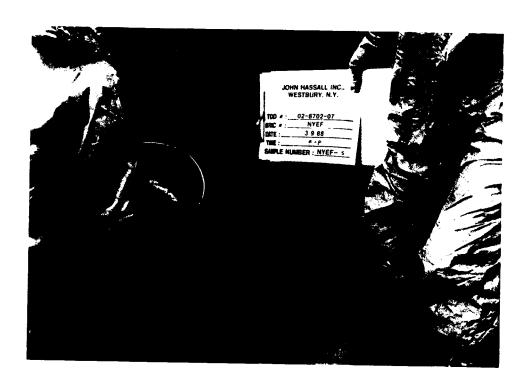
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1P-12 March 9, 1988 1037 Company sign on main manufacturing building.

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1P-1 March 9, 1988 0838 P. Solinski obtaining sediment sample NYEF-S1.



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1P-3 March 9, 1988 0858 P. Solinski obtaining sediment sample NYEF-S3.



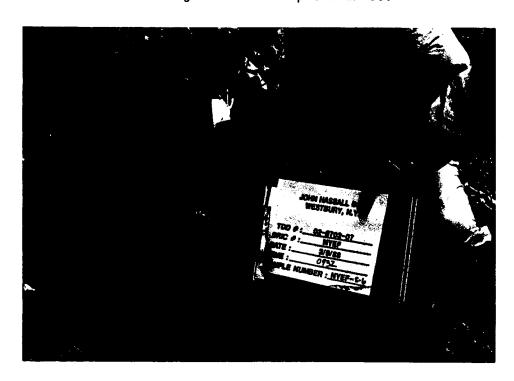
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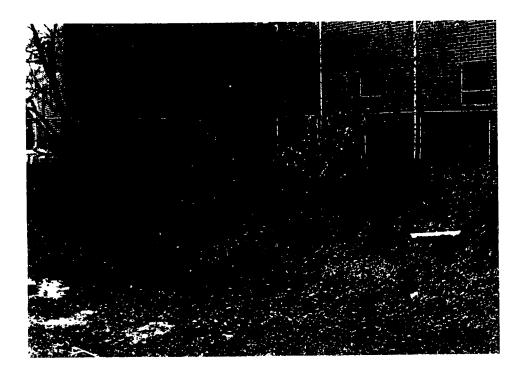


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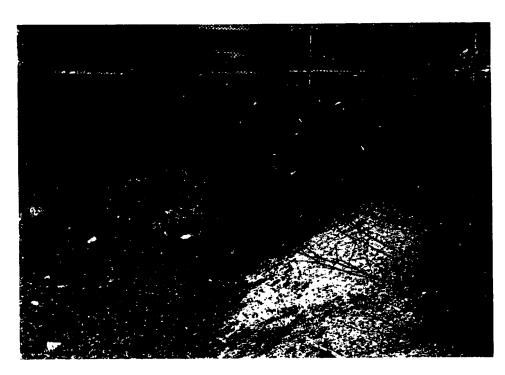
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1P-9 March 9, 1988
Looking west at recharge basin.

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March 9, 1988 Looking north at recharge basin.

4.0 ANALYTICAL DATA

To be provided upon receipt of analytical data.

5.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

To be provided upon receipt of analytical data.

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